THE ARMY IN INDIA – JULY 1914

C.-in-C. Gen Sir H. Beauchamp Duff
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HQ – Calcutta

NORTHERN ARMY – Lieut-Gen Sir J. Willcocks ☆☆☆
HQ – Murree

1ST PESHAWAR DIVISION – Maj-Gen C.J. Blomfield ☆☆ HQ – Cherat

Division & Area Troops:

Chitral & Drosh:
2/1st (King George's Own) Gurkha Rifles (The Malaun Regiment)
Section, 25th Mtn Btry
Section, No.11 Coy. 2nd Sappers & Miners

Malakand:
38th Dogras
Half Bn, 112th Infantry
Detachment, Frontier Garrison Artillery

Chakdara:
Half Bn, 51st Sikhs (FF)
Detachment, Frontier Garrison Artillery

Dargai:
HQ & half Bn, 51st Sikhs (FF)

Peshawar Infantry Brigade – Maj-Gen C.F.G. Young ☆☆

Peshawar Cantonment:
HQ & half Bn, 2/The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
HQ & half Bn, 1/Royal Sussex Regiment
14th King George's Own Ferozepore Sikhs
21st Punjabis [minus detachment]
72nd Punjabis
Detachment, Punjab Vol. Rifles AF
1st Duke of York's Own Lancers (Skinner's Horse) [1]
Detachment, Punjab Light Horse AF
75 Btry RFA [III Brigade RFA]
72 Heavy Btry RGA
Detachment, Frontier Garrison Artillery
No.1 Coy. 1st Sappers & Miners

Abazai:
Detachment, Guides

[1] Attached for training to Risalpur Cavalry Brigade.

Cherat Cantonment:
Half Bn, 2/The King's (Liverpool Regiment)
Half Bn, 1/Royal Sussex Regiment

Jamrud Cantonment:
Detachment, 21st Punjabis
Detachment, Frontier Garrison Artillery

Shabqadar:
Detachment, 46th Punjabis

Nowshera Brigade – Brig-Gen H.V. Cox ☆

Nowshera Cantonment:
Detachment, 1/Durham Light Infantry
24th Punjabis
46th Punjabis [minus detachment]
82nd Punjabis
HQ & half Bn, 112th Infantry
Detachment, Punjab Vol. Rifles AF
HQ XVI Brigade RFA; 89, 90 & 91 Btrys RFA
25th Mtn Btry [minus section]

Risalpur Cavalry Brigade – Maj-Gen J.G. Turner ☆☆

Risalpur Cantonment:
13th Duke of Connaught's Lancers (Watson's Horse)
14th Murray's Jat Lancers
HQ VIII Brigade RHA; "M" Btry RHA

Mardan Cantonment:
Queen Victoria's Own Corps of Guides (FF) (Lumsden's) [2]

2ND RAWAL PINDI DIVISION – Maj-Gen Sir G.C. Kitson ☆☆ HQ – Rawal Pindi Cantonment

Division & Area Troops:

Rawal Pindi Cantonment:
Detachment, Punjab Vol. Rifles AF
Detachment, 1st Battalion North Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF
Detachment, Punjab Light Horse AF
HQ VII Brigade RFA; 4, 38 & 78 Btrys RFA [3]
94 Coy. RGA
No.6 Coy. 1st Sappers & Miners
No.13 Coy. 2nd Sappers & Miners

[2] The Guides were composed of 3 cavalry squadrons and 8 infantry companies.
[3] VII Brigade RFA on notice for Kirkee.

Attock Cantonment (Campbellpore):
Depot, 74th Punjabis [4]
104 Heavy Btry RGA

Murree Cantonment:
Half Bn, 1/Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment)
Detachment, 21st (Empress of India's) Lancers

Gharial Camp, Murree Hills:
4/King's Royal Rifle Corps

Kuldana Cantonment:
2/Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own)

Barian Cantonment:
1/Yorkshire Regiment [minus detachment]
68 Siege Coy. RGA

Kalabagh Camp:
9 Mountain Btry RGA

Rawal Pindi Brigade – Maj-Gen C.V.F. Townshend ☆☆

Rawal Pindi Cantonment:
21st (Empress of India's) Lancers [minus detachment]
5th Cavalry
35th Sikhs
84th Punjabis
6 Mountain Btry RGA

Murree Cantonment:
2/Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regiment)

Jhelum Brigade – Brig-Gen D.C.F. Macintyre ☆

Jhelum Cantonment:
HQ & half Bn, 37th Dogras
69th Punjabis
76th Punjabis
87th Punjabis
21st Prince Albert Victor's Own Cavalry (FF) (Daly's Horse)

Abbottabad Brigade – Brig-Gen H.F. Loch ☆

Abbottabad Cantonment:
1/5th Gurkha Rifles (FF)
2/5th Gurkha Rifles (FF)

[4] 74th Punjabis stationed at Hong Kong.

1/6th Gurkha Rifles
2/6th Gurkha Rifles
HQ I Indian Mtn Arty Brigade; 27th & 30th Mtn Btrys
HQ V Indian Mtn Arty Brigade; 23rd Peshawar (FF) & 28th Mtn Btrys

Ghora Daka Cantonment:
1/Durham Light Infantry [minus detachment]

Khyra Gali Cantonment:
1 Mountain Btry RGA

Sialkot Cavalry Brigade – Brig-Gen H.P. Leader ☆

Sialkot Cantonment:
Detachment, 1/Yorkshire Regiment
32nd Sikh Pioneers
17th (Duke of Cambridge's Own) Lancers
6th King Edward's Own Cavalry
19th Lancers (Fane's Horse)
"Q" Btry RHA [VIII Brigade RHA]
No.25 Railway Coy.

3RD LAHORE DIVISION – Lieut-Gen H.B.B. Watkis ☆☆☆ HQ – Lahore

Division & Area Troops:

Lahore Cantonment:
HQ & half Bn, 1/Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment)
23rd Sikh Pioneers
Depot, 28th Punjabis [5]
HQ 1st Punjab Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
1st Battalion, North Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF [6]
23rd Cavalry (FF) [7]
Punjab Light Horse AF [minus detachments]
HQ XVIII Brigade RFA; 59 & 94 Btrys RFA

Fort Lahore:
Detachment, 1/Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment)

Multan Cantonment:
Half Bn, 2/Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment)
4th Prince Albert Victor's Rajputs
Depot, 25th Punjabis [8]
Detachment, 130th (King George's Own) Baluchis (Jacob's Rifles)
37th Lancers (Baluch Horse)

[5] 28th Punjabis stationed at Colombo, Ceylon.
[6] Mans armoured trains on the Northwest Frontier.
[7] Attached for training to Ambala Cavalry Brigade.
[8] 25th Punjabis stationed at Hong Kong.

62 Btry RFA [III Brigade RFA]
86 Heavy Btry RGA

Jullundur Brigade – Maj-Gen P.M. Carnegy ☆☆

Jullundur Cantonment:
Detachment, 1/Manchester Regiment
47th Sikhs
59th Scinde Rifles (FF) [minus detachment]
Detachment, North Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF
15th Lancers (Cureton's Multanis)
HQ III Brigade RFA; 18 Btry RFA [9]

Amritsar Cantonment:
Detachment, 1/Manchester Regiment
Detachment, 59th Scinde Rifles

Bakloh Cantonment:
1/4th Gurkha Rifles
2/4th Gurkha Rifles

Dalhousie Cantonment, Balun:
1/Manchester Regiment [minus detachments]
HQ & half Bn, 2/Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment)
Half Bn, 1/Connaught Rangers

Dharamsala Cantonment:
1/1st (King George's Own) Gurkha Rifles (The Malaun Regiment)
Depot, 2/1st (King George's Own) Gurkha Rifles (The Malaun Regiment) [10]

Sirhind Brigade – Maj-Gen J.M.S. Brunker ☆☆

Ambala Cantonment:
HQ & half Bn, 1/Highland Light Infantry
34th Sikh Pioneers
Detachment, 2nd Battalion, North Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF
East Indian Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Dagshai Cantonment:
4/Rifle Brigade (Prince Consort's Own)
Detachment, 2/Northumberland Fusiliers

Jutogh Cantonment:
Detachment, 2/Northumberland Fusiliers
HQ III Mountain Artillery Brigade RGA; 2 & 5 Mountain Btrys RGA [11]

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[9] III Brigade RFA on notice for Woolwich.
[10] 2/1 Gurkha Rifles stationed with 1st Division at Chitral.
[11] 5 Mountain Btry on notice for Rawal Pindi.

Solan Cantonment:
Half Bn, 1/Highland Light Infantry

Sabathu Cantonment:
2/Northumberland Fusiliers [minus detachments]

Simla:
Detachment, 129th Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis
Simla Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachment]

Kalka:
Detachment, East India Railway Vol. Rifles AF

Ambala Cavalry Brigade – Maj-Gen C.P.W. Pirie ☆☆

Ambala Cantonment:
8th (King's Royal Irish) Hussars
9th Hodson's Horse
30th Lancers (Gordon's Horse)
HQ I Brigade RHA; "A" & "B" Btrys RHA

Ferozepore Brigade – Brig-Gen R.G. Egerton ☆

Ferozepore Cantonment:
HQ & half Bn, 1/Connaught Rangers
57th Wilde's Rifles (FF)
129th Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis [minus detachment]
7th Hariana Lancers [12]
93 Btry RFA [XVIII Brigade RFA]
82 Coy. RGA

7TH MEERUT DIVISION – Lieut-Gen Sir C.A. Anderson ☆☆☆ HQ – Mussoorie

Division & Area Troops:

Delhi Cantonment:
Detachment, 2/Leicestershire Regiment
30th Punjabis
Detachment, 1/Punjab Vol. Rifles AF
Detachment, East Indian Railway Vol. Rifles AF
11th King Edward's Own Lancers (Probyn's Horse)
Detachment, Punjab Light Horse AF
73 Coy. RGA

Fategarh Cantonment:
Depot, 5th Light Infantry [13]
Depot, 36th Sikhs [14]

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[12] Attached for training to Ambala Cavalry Brigade.
[13] 5th Light Infantry stationed at Singapore.

Depot, 40th Pathans [15]
Detachment, 2nd (Northern) Regiment United Provinces Horse AF
Detachment, Bombay, Baroda & Central India Railway Vol. Rifles AF

Muttra Cantonment:
6th (Inniskilling) Dragoons

Agra Fort:
1/Seaforth Highlanders [16]
13th Rajputs (The Shekhawati Regiment)
Agra Vol. Rifles AF
Detachment, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Vol. Rifle Corps AF
77 (H) Btry RFA [VI (Howitzer) Brigade RFA]
74 Coy. RGA

Aligarh:
Detachment, East India Railway Vol. Rifles AF

Meerut Cavalry Brigade – Brig-Gen F-J.M. Edwards ☆

Meerut Cantonment:
13th Hussars
3rd Skinner's Horse
18th King George's Own Lancers
Detachment, 2nd (Northern) Regiment United Provinces Horse AF
HQ XII Brigade RHA; "V" & "W" Btrys RHA

Meerut Cantonment: [unbrigaded]
3/King's Royal Rifle Corps [minus detachment]
107th Pioneers
128th Pioneers
Detachment, Mussoorie Vol. Rifle Battalion AF
HQ IX Brigade RFA; 19 & 28 Btrys RFA

Bareilly Brigade – Maj-Gen F. Macbean ☆☆

Bareilly Cantonment:
2/Black Watch (Royal Highlanders)
41st Dogras
4th Cavalry
20 Btry RFA [IX Brigade RFA]

Almora Cantonment:
1/3rd Queen Alexandra's Own Gurkha Rifles [minus detachment]

Naini Tal Cantonment:
Detachment, 1/3rd Queen Alexandra's Own Gurkha Rifles

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[14] 36th Sikhs stationed at Tientsin, North China.
[15] 40th Pathans stationed at Hong Kong.
[16] 1/Seaforth Highlanders on notice for Glasgow.

Naini Tal Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachment]

Ranikhet Cantonment:
2/Leicestershire Regiment [minus detachment]
Detachment, 3/King's Royal Rifle Corps

Chaubattia Cantonment:
2/East Surrey Regiment

Dehra Dun Brigade – Brig-Gen C.E. Johnson ☆

Dehra Dun Cantonment:
1/2nd King Edward's Own Gurkha Rifles (The Sirmoor Rifles)
2/2nd King Edward's Own Gurkha Rifles (The Sirmoor Rifles)
1/9th Gurkha Rifles
2/9th Gurkha Rifles
The Governor General's Body Guard [cavalry squadron]
2nd (Northern) Regiment United Provinces Horse AF [minus detachments]
HQ VII Indian Mtn Arty Brigade; 21st Kohat (FF) & 26th Jacob's Mtn Btrys

Chakrata Cantonment:
1/Welsh Regiment

Mussoorie:
Mussoorie Vol. Rifle Battalion AF [minus detachments]

Garhwal Brigade – Maj-Gen H.D'U. Keary ☆☆

Lansdowne Cantonment:
1/39th Garhwal Rifles
2/39th Garhwal Rifles
2/3rd Queen Alexandra's Own Gurkha Rifles
2/8th Gurkha Rifles

Rurki Cantonment:
59 Coy., 81 Siege Coy. & 91 Heavy Btry RGA
"H" Depot Coy. RE
HQ & Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 Coys & 'B' Depot Coy. 1st (K.G.O.) Sappers & Miners

8TH LUCKNOW DIVISION – Lieut-Gen Sir R.I. Scallon ☆☆☆ HQ – Jalapahar Cantonment, Darjeeling

Division & Area Troops:

Shillong Cantonment:
1/8th Gurkha Rifles
Detachment, Assam Valley Light Horse AF

Dibrugarh Cantonment:
113th Infantry [minus detachments]
Assam Valley Light Horse AF [minus detachments]

Kohima:
Detachment, 123rd Outram's Rifles

Manipur:
123rd Outram's Rifles [minus detachment]

Silchar:
Surma Valley Light Horse AF [minus detachments]

Chittagong:
Assam-Bengal Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Lucknow Cantonment:
Lucknow Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachment]
Oudh & Rohilkhand Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
Oudh Squadron, United Provinces Horse AF
HQ V Brigade RFA; 73 Btry RFA

Lucknow Cavalry Brigade – Maj-Gen G.A. Cookson ☆☆

Lucknow Cantonment:
1st (King's) Dragoon Guards
16th Cavalry
"U" Btry RHA [XI Brigade RHA] [17]

Lucknow Infantry Brigade – Maj-Gen A. Wilson ☆☆

Lucknow Cantonment:
3/Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment)
1/King's Own Scottish Borderers
Depot, 2nd Queen Victoria's Own Rajput Light Infantry [18]
17th Infantry (The Loyal Regiment)

Fyzabad Brigade – Brig-Gen C.T.McM. Kavanagh ☆

Fyzabad Cantonment:
1/Leinster Regiment
9th Bhopal Infantry
12th Cavalry [19]
64 Btry RFA [V Brigade RFA]

Gorakhpur:
Bengal & North-Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
Detachment, 1st (Southern) Regiment United Provinces Horse AF

[17] XI Brigade RHA's other unit, "T" Btry RHA, stationed in Cairo, Egypt.
[18] 2nd (Q.V.O.) Rajput L.I. stationed with 6th Division.
[19] 12th Cavalry attached for training to Lucknow Cavalry Brigade.

Allahabad Brigade – Maj-Gen M. Cowper ☆☆

Allahabad Cantonment:
1/Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment) [minus detachments]
Allahabad Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachment]
17th Cavalry [20]
Detachment, 1st (Southern) Regiment United Provinces Horse AF
HQ XVII Brigade RFA; 26 Btry RFA
51 Coy. RGA

Benares Cantonment:
Detachment, 1/Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment)
92nd Punjabis
Detachment, Bengal & North-Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF

Cawnpore Cantonment:
3/Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment)
62nd Punjabis
Cawnpore Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachment]
36th Jacob's Horse [21]
HQ & Cawnpore Sqdn, 1st (Southern) Regiment United Provinces Horse AF
63 Btry RFA [V Brigade RFA]

Presidency Brigade – Maj-Gen E.S. May ☆☆ [HQ Fort William, Calcutta]

Fort William:
2/Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment) [minus detachment]
16th Rajputs (The Lucknow Regiment)
62 Coy. RGA [22]
Detachment, 1st Sappers & Miners

Baksa Duar:
Detachment, 113th Infantry

Barrackpore Cantonment:
Detachment, 2/King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment)
93rd Burma Infantry
10 Btry RFA [XVII Brigade RFA]

Jalapahar Cantonment, Darjeeling:
Half Bn, 1/Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders
Detachment, 2/Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment)
Northern Bengal Mounted Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Dacca Cantonment:
11th Rajputs

[20] Attached for training to Lucknow Cavalry Brigade.
[21] Attached for training to Lucknow Cavalry Brigade.
[22] 62 Coy. RGA on notice for Aden.

22nd Punjabis
Eastern Bengal Vol. Rifles AF [single company]

Dinapore Cantonment:
HQ & half Bn, 1/Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders [minus detachments]
89th Punjabis
St. Michael's Cadet School AF
92 Btry RFA [XVII Brigade RFA]

Dum Dum Armoury:
Detachment, 1/Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders
Detachment, Cossipore Artillery Vols. AF

Gantok & Gyaitse:
Detachments, 113th Infantry

Lebong Cantonment, Darjeeling:
2/King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment) [minus detachment]

Takdah Cantonment, Darjeeling:
2/10th Gurkha Rifles

Alipore:
114th Mahrattas

Adra:
Detachment, 2/Bengal-Nagpur Railway Vol. Rifle Corps AF

Khargpur:
1/Bengal-Nagpur Railway Vol. Rifle Corps AF [minus detachments]
Detachment, East Coast Vol. Rifles AF

Mozufferpore & area:
Bihar Light Horse AF [minus detachments]

Ranchi:
Chota Nagpur Light Horse AF [minus detachments]

Narainganj:
Detached coy., East Bengal Vol. Rifles AF

Calcutta:
1st Battalion, Calcutta Vol. Rifles AF
2nd (Presidency) Battalion, Calcutta Vol. Rifles AF
Eastern Bengal State Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
Calcutta Port Defence Group (Vol. Garrison Artillery) AF [23]
Cossipore Brigade Mobile Artillery AF [minus detachments] [24]
Governor's Bodyguard for Bengal [cavalry squadron]

[23] Calcutta Port Defence Corps holds two garrison artillery coys. and one electrical engineer coy.
[24] Cossipore Arty Vol. batteries at: Kankinara, Barrackpore, Howtah, Calcutta, & Fort Gloster.

Calcutta Light Horse AF [minus detachment]

Sonepore:
Detachment, Bengal & North-Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF

NORTHERN ARMY INDEPENDENT BRIGADES:

Kohat Brigade – Maj-Gen F. Campbell ☆☆ HQ – Kohat

Kohat Cantonment:
53rd Sikhs (FF)
54th Sikhs (FF)
122nd Rajputana Infantry
31st Duke of Connaught's Own Lancers
31st Mtn Btry
HQ & Detachment, Frontier Garrison Artillery

Fort Lockhart:
56th Punjabi Rifles (FF)

Thal:
Detachments [various]

Bannu Brigade – Maj-Gen H. O'Donnell ☆☆ HQ – Bannu

Bannu Cantonment:
33rd Punjabis
52nd Sikhs (FF)
55th Coke's Rifles (FF)
25th Cavalry (FF)
29th Mtn Btry

Derajat Brigade – Maj-Gen Sir G.J. Younghusband ☆☆ HQ – Sheikh Budin

Dera Ismail Khan Cantonment:
18th Infantry
27th Punjabis
Half Bn, 37th Dogras
45th Rattray's Sikhs
35th Scinde Horse
32nd Mtn Btry

Frontier Corps: [25] Khyber Rifles, Zhob Militia, Mekran Levy Corps, Kurram Militia, Chitral Scouts, North Waziristan Militia, South Waziristan Militia

[25] On the Northwest Frontier, a number of small posts were held by irregular Frontier Corps (approximately battalion size each) which were raised from tribesmen and given minimal supervision by attached British officers. In the event, most of these units proved unreliable and, during World War I, deserted with their arms and ammunition to join disaffected tribes in a general rising along the frontier.

SOUTHERN ARMY – Gen Sir J.E. Nixon ☆☆☆☆
HQ – Ootacamund

4TH QUETTA DIVISION – Lieut-Gen Sir M.H.S. Grover ☆☆☆ HQ – Quetta

Division & Area Troops:

Quetta Cantonment:
Depot, 124th Duchess of Connaught's Own Baluchistan Infantry [26]
Baluchistan Vol. Rifles AF
28th Light Cavalry
HQ IV Mountain Brigade RGA; 3 & 8, plus 4 [attached] Mtn Btrys RGA [27]
60 & 101 Coys. RGA

Chaman:
58th Vaughan's Rifles (FF) *

Fort Sandeman:
31st Punjabis *

Jacobabad:
22nd Sam Browne's Cavalry (FF) *

Loralai Cantonment:
15th Ludhiana Sikhs *
10th Duke of Cambridge's Own Lancers (Hodson's Horse) *

Quetta 1st Infantry Brigade – Brig-Gen W.H. Sitwell ☆

Quetta Cantonment:
2/Prince Albert's (Somerset Light Infantry)
1/7th Gurkha Rifles
2/7th Gurkha Rifles
12th Pioneers (The Kelat-i-Ghilzie Regiment)
19th Punjabis
126th Baluchistan Infantry [28]
No.26 Railway Coy.

Quetta 2nd Infantry Brigade * [29] – Maj-Gen C.J. Melliss ☆☆

Quetta Cantonment:
1/South Lancashire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Volunteers)
2/Princess Victoria's (Royal Irish Fusiliers)
67th Punjabis

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[26] 124th Baluchis stationed at Tientsin, North China.
[27] 8 Mountain Btry RGA on notice for Rawal Pindi.
[28] 126th Baluchistan Infantry is at Fort Sandeman.
[29] * 4th Divisional Troops marked with an asterisk are attached for training to Quetta 2nd Infantry Brigade (i.e. 58th Vaughan's Rifles (FF), 31st Punjabis, 22nd Sam Browne's Cavalry (FF), 15th Ludhiana Sikhs, and 10th Duke of Cambridge's Own Lancers (Hodson's Horse)).

106th Hazara Pioneers
Nos.18 & 19 Coys. 3rd Sappers & Miners

Karachi Brigade – Maj-Gen D.G.L. Shaw ☆☆

Napier Barracks, Karachi:
1/Lancashire Fusiliers
103 Btry RFA [XXI Brigade RFA]

Karachi:
Scinde Vol. Rifle Battalion AF
2nd Battalion, North Western Railway Vol. Rifles AF [30] [minus detachments]
Karachi Vol. Mobile Artillery Brigade (2nd) AF

Karachi Cantonment:
Depot, 26th Punjabis [31]
127th Queen Mary's Own Baluch Light Infantry

Manora Cantonment:
69 Coy. RGA [32]

Hyderabad Cantonment:
29th Punjabis
HQ XXI Brigade RFA; 101 & 102 Btrys RFA

5TH MHOW DIVISION – Maj-Gen R.L. Payne ☆☆ HQ – Mhow Cantonment

Division & Area Troops:

Mhow Cantonment:
2/Hampshire Regiment
96th Berar Infantry
125th Napier's Rifles
14th (King's) Hussars
HQ XIII Brigade RHA; "X" & "Y" Btrys RHA [33]

Agar Cantonment:
39th King George's Own Central India Horse

Ahmedabad Cantonment:
7th Duke of Connaught's Own Rajputs

Baroda:
104th Wellesley's Rifles

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[30] Mans armoured trains on the Northwest Frontier.
[31] 26th Punjabis stationed at Hong Kong.
[32] 69 Coy. RGA on notice for Aden.
[33] XIII Brigade RHA on notice for Secunderabad.

Nasirabad Brigade – Maj-Gen K.S. Davison ☆☆

Nasirabad Cantonment:
1/Royal Irish Regiment
90th Punjabis
98 Btry RFA [XX Brigade RFA]

Ajmer Cantonment:
44th Merwara Infantry
2/Bombay, Baroda & Central India Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Deoli Cantonment:
42nd Deoli Regiment

Erinpura Cantonment:
43rd Erinpura Regiment

Neemuch Cantonment:
27th Light Cavalry
HQ XX Brigade RFA; 99 & 100 Btrys RFA

Jubbulpore Brigade – Maj-Gen H.D. Fanshawe ☆☆

Jubbulpore Cantonment:
2/Cheshire Regiment [less half Bn temporarily at Bhin Tal] [34]
1/York & Lancaster Regiment
8th Rajputs
97th Deccan Infantry
32nd Lancers
HQ XI Brigade RFA; 83, 84, 85 Btrys RFA

Kamptee Cantonment:
2/East Yorkshire Regiment
63rd Palamcotta Light Infantry
95 Btry RFA [XIX Brigade RFA] [35]

Saugor Cantonment:
98th Infantry
2nd Lancers (Gardner's Horse)

Nagpur:
Nagpur Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
2/Bengal-Nagpur Railway Vol. Regiment AF [minus detachments]

Jhansi Brigade – Maj-Gen G.V. Kemball ☆☆

Jhansi Cantonment:
2/Princess Charlotte of Wales's (Royal Berkshire Regiment)

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[34] 2/Cheshire Regiment on notice for Allahabad.
[35] 95 Btry RFA [XIX Brigade RFA] on notice for Rawal Pindi.

10th Jats
116th Mahrattas
121st Pioneers
2/Great Indian Peninsula Railway Vol. Rifle Corps AF [minus detachments]
8th Cavalry
HQ VI (Howitzer) Brigade RFA; 74 (H) & 79 (H) Btrys RFA

Goona:
38th King George's Own Central India Horse

Nowgong Cantonment:
3rd Brahmans
71 & 90 Heavy Btrys RGA

Sehore:
99th Deccan Infantry

6TH POONA DIVISION – Lieut-Gen Sir A.A. Barrett ☆☆☆ HQ – Poona

Poona Brigade – Brig-Gen A.E. Aitken ☆

Poona Camp Cantonment:
2/Dorsetshire Regiment
2/Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders
20th Duke of Cambridge's Own Infantry (Brownlow's Punjabis)
HQ & half Bn, 105th Mahratta Light Infantry
117th Mahrattas
Poona Vol. Rifle Battalion AF
29th Lancers (Deccan Horse)

Kirkee Cantonment:
48th Pioneers
HQ X Brigade RFA; 76, 81 & 82 Btrys RFA [36]
HQ 3rd Sappers & Miners; Nos.17, 20, 21, 22 Coys, & 'F' Depot Coy.

Satara:
Half Bn, 105th Mahratta Light Infantry

Belgaum Brigade – Maj-Gen C.I. Fry ☆☆

Belgaum Cantonment:
2/Norfolk Regiment
81st Pioneers
110th Mahratta Light Infantry
120th Rajputana Infantry
2/Madras & South Mahratta Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
96 Btry RFA [XIX Brigade RFA] [37]

[36] X Brigade RFA & 82 Btry on notice for Jullundur; 76 Btry for Multan; 81 Btry for Peshawar.
[37] 96 Btry RFA on notice for Rawal Pindi.

Bombay Brigade – Maj-Gen G.F. Gorringe ☆☆

Bombay:
HQ & half Bn, 1/Sherwood Foresters [38]
2nd Queen Victoria's Own Rajput Light Infantry
Bombay Vol. Rifle Battalion AF
1/Great Indian Peninsula Railway Vol. Rifle Corps AF [minus detachments]
1/Bombay, Baroda & Central India Railway Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
Bombay Light Horse AF
52, 77 & 79 Coys. RGA
Bombay Vol. Garrison Artillery Group (4th) AF [39]

Deolali Cantonment:
Half Bn, 1/Sherwood Foresters
85 Coy. RGA [40]

Ganeshkhind:
Governor's Body Guard (Bombay) [cavalry squadron]

Santa Cruz (Bombay):
95th Russell's Infantry

Ahmednaggar Brigade – Brig-Gen W.H. Dobbie ☆

Ahmednaggar Cantonment:
1/Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry
103rd Mahratta Light Infantry
119th Infantry (The Mooltan Regiment)

Aurungabad Cantonment:
Depot, 102nd King Edward's Own Grenadiers [41]
130th (King George's Own) Baluchis (Jacob's Rifles) [minus detachment]
33rd Queen Victoria's Own Light Cavalry

9TH SECUNDERABAD DIVISION – Maj-Gen A. Phayre ☆☆ HQ – Ootacamund

Secunderabad Cavalry Brigade – Brig-Gen F.W.G. Wadeson ☆

Bolarum Cantonment:
20th Deccan Horse

Secunderabad Cantonment:
7th (Princess Royal's) Dragoon Guards
34th Prince Albert Victor's Own Poona Horse

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[38] 1/Sherwood Foresters on notice for Aden.
[39] Bombay Garrison Arty AF consists of artillery coys. at Kirkee & Ahmedabad, and one electrical engineer coy.
[40] 85 Coy. RGA on notice for Calcutta.
[41] 102nd Grenadiers stationed at Muscat.

HQ IX Brigade RHA; "N" Btry RHA [42]

Secunderabad 1st Infantry Brigade – Maj-Gen P.S. Wilkinson ☆☆

Bolarum Cantonment:
1st Brahmans
94th Russell's Infantry

Secunderabad Cantonment:
88th Carnatic Infantry

Trimulgherry Cantonment:
2/King's (Shropshire Light Infantry) [43]
HQ IV Brigade RFA; 7, 14 & 66 Btrys RFA

Secunderabad 2nd Infantry Brigade – Brig-Gen E.H. Rodwell ☆

Secunderabad Cantonment:
6th Jat Light Infantry
83rd Wallajahbad Light Infantry
No.12 Coy. 2nd Sappers & Miners

Trimulgherry Cantonment:
1/Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers [minus detachment]
Hyderabad Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Bangalore Brigade – Brig-Gen R. Wapshare ☆

Bangalore Cantonment:
2/Loyal North Lancashire Regiment
61st King George's Own Pioneers
101st Grenadiers
108th Infantry
Bangalore Rifle Vol. Battalion AF [minus detachment]
7th (Queen's Own) Hussars [44]
26th King George's Own Light Cavalry
"S" Btry RHA [IX Brigade RHA] [45]
HQ XIII Brigade RFA; 2 & 44 Btrys RFA [46]
HQ 2nd Queen's Own Sappers & Miners; Nos.9, 10, 11, 14 & 'D' Depot Coy.

Bellary Cantonment:
Half Bn, 1/Royal Dublin Fusiliers
8 Btry RFA [XIII Brigade RFA] [47]

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[42] IX Brigade RHA on notice for Mhow.
[43] 2/King's Shropshire Light Infantry on notice for Rangoon.
[44] 7th Hussars, 26th Cavalry, & "S" RHA attached for training to Secunderabad Cavalry Brigade.
[45] "S" Btry RHA on notice for Mhow.
[46] XIII Brigade RFA & 2 Btry RFA on notice for St. Thomas Mount; 44 Btry RFA for Belgaum.
[47] 8 Btry RFA [XIII Brigade RFA] on notice for Kamptee.

Kolar:
Kolar Gold Fields Rifle Vol. Battalion AF

Mercara:
Coorg & Mysore Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Southern Brigade – Brig-Gen W.G. Hamilton ☆ [HQ – Wellington, Madras]

Madras:
HQ & half Bn, 1/Royal Dublin Fusiliers
Madras Vol. Guards Battalion AF
1/Madras & South Mahratta Railway Rifles AF [minus detachments]
Governor's Bodyguard for Madras [cavalry squadron]
Madras Artillery Vols. (2nd Group Garrison Artillery) AF [HQ Ft. St. George]

Calicut:
Malabar Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Cannanore Cantonment:
75th Carnatic Infantry

St. Thomas Mount Cantonment:
86th Carnatic Infantry
HQ XIX Brigade RFA; 97 Btry RFA [48]

Trichinopoly Cantonment:
73rd Carnatic Infantry

Wellington (Madras) Cantonment:
2/Buffs (East Kent Regiment)
Detachment, 1/Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers

Negapatam:
South Indian Railway Vol. Battalion AF [minus detachments]

Ootacamund:
Nilgiri Vol. Rifle Battalion AF [minus detachments]
Southern Provinces Mounted Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Vizagapatum:
East Coast Vol. Rifles Battalion AF [minus detachments]

Yercaud:
Yercaud Rifle Vols. AF [single company]

[48] XIX Brigade RFA on notice for Rawal Pindi.

THE BURMA DIVISION – Maj-Gen T.D. Pilcher ☆☆ HQ – Maymyo

Rangoon Brigade – Brig-Gen A.A.J. Johnstone ☆

Rangoon:
1/Royal Munster Fusiliers [49]
66th Punjabis
79th Carnatic Infantry
Rangoon Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]
Burma Railway Vol. Corps AF [minus detachments]
64 & 75 Coys. RGA
Rangoon Port Defence Vols. AF [50]

Port Blair:
South Andaman Vol. Rifles AF [single company]

Meiktila:
4/Worcestershire Regiment
Upper Burma Vol. Rifles AF [minus detachments]

Moulmein:
Moulmein Vol. Rifles AF [minus reserve detachment]
Moulmein Vol. Artillery AF [single battery]

Mandalay Brigade – Maj-Gen H.A. Raitt ☆☆

Bhamo:
80th Carnatic Infantry

Mandalay:
64th Pioneers
91st Punjabis (Light Infantry)
No.15 Coy. 2nd Sappers & Miners

Maymyo:
1/Border Regiment
1/10th Gurkha Rifles
22nd Derajat Mtn Btry (FF)

[49] 1/Royal Munster Fusiliers on notice for Poona.
[50] Rangoon Port Defence Vols. is composed of two garrison artillery coys. and one electrical engineer coy.

INDEPENDENT BRIGADE:

Aden Brigade – Maj-Gen Sir J.A. Bell ☆☆

Kher Maksar:

1/Royal Irish Rifles [51]
109th Infantry
Aden Troop [Indian cavalry]
61, 70 & 76 Coys. RGA [52]
No.23 (Fortress) Coy. 3rd Sappers & Miners

INDIAN UNITS DEPLOYED OVERSEAS:

5th Light Infantry – Singapore (Depot: Fategarh)
25th Punjabis – Hong Kong (Depot: Multan)
26th Punjabis – Hong Kong (Depot: Karachi)
28th Punjabis – Colombo, Ceylon (Depot: Lahore)
36th Sikhs – Tientsin, North China (Depot: Fategarh)
40th Pathans – Hong Kong (Depot: Fategarh)
74th Punjabis – Hong Kong (Depot: Attock)
102nd King Edward's Own Grenadiers – Muscat (Depot: Aurungabad)
124th Duchess of Connaught's Own Baluchistan Inf. – Tientsin, North China (Depot: Quetta)
24th Hazara Mtn Btry (FF) – Hong Kong

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ABBREVIATIONS:

AF – Auxiliary Force. Part-time military units manned by British and Anglo-Indian civilians.
Bn – Battalion. Tactical unit of the infantry, normally consisting of 8 x companies of 100+ men each.
Brig-Gen – Brigadier-General. Not a rank, but an appointment for a colonel commanding a brigade.
Btry – Battery. Tactical unit of artillery, consisting of 6 x guns in the field and horse artillery.
C.-in-C. – Commander-in-Chief. General officer commanding all troops of the Army in India.
Coy. – Company. Small tactical unit of infantry, sappers, or garrison artillery. About 100+ men.
(FF) – Frontier Force. Elite units originally raised to counter Northwest Frontier tribesmen.
Ft. – Fort.
Gen – General. Highest ranking general officer.
(H) – Howitzer battery. Field artillery units armed with 4.5-inch howitzers.
HQ – Headquarters. Often rendered as Head Quarters or Head-Quarters.
K.G.O. – King George's Own.
Lieut-Gen – Lieutenant-General. General officer commanding an Army or a Division.
Maj-Gen – Major-General. General officer commanding a Division or a Brigade.
Mtn – Mountain. Light mule-pack artillery designed for use in mountainous terrain.
RFA – Royal Field Artillery. British artillery generally armed with 18-pounder quick-firing guns.
RGA – Royal Garrison Artillery. British units armed with heavy, siege, mountain, or coastal artillery.
RHA – Royal Horse Artillery. British units armed with 13-pounder field guns to accompany cavalry.
Vol. – Volunteer(s). Part of the designation of units of the Auxiliary Force.
1/, 2/, 3/, 4/ – Numerical designation of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th battalion of the named regiment.

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[51] 1/Royal Irish Rifles on notice for Tidworth.
[52] 70 & 76 Coys. RGA on notice for Bombay.

NOTES ON THE ARMY IN INDIA – JULY 1914

This project has literally taken forty years to complete. It began one June day in 1974 when I spent a couple of hours at the India Office Library in London copying notes from the army stationing list of July 1914. For my own amusement I wanted to construct an order of battle of **The Army in India** (to use the official title) just prior to the outbreak of the Great War. Only recently did I make the time to consult avenues of investigation – through the internet – that were unavailable when I was a young US Army officer on leave in Europe.

Any attempt to produce an order of battle of British or Indian forces in the twentieth century is like trying to hit a moving target, and at best will yield a snapshot at some moment in time which may be fuzzy around the edges. My notes from the India Office Library provided the structure and most all of the detail. I have tried to fill in mistakes or omissions by looking at other sources, such as: **Hart's Annual Army List…for 1914** (which covers British and Indian units and has an information cutoff date of probably December 1913); the official **Monthly Army List, December 1914** (with corrections to November 1914); and a number of modern scholars such as Rinaldi, Conrad, and Watson.

The pre-war Army in India was an interesting patchwork of non-standard formations which, on mobilization, was subject to a lot of streamlining and units changing brigade affiliations. This, along with scheduled postings of units, makes for a shambolic picture of the army beginning in August of 1914. That settled me on a July cutoff date and I have tried to depict unit locations and subordination, as well as general officer ranks, as of the end of that month. I had to make some judgment calls on specifics, and any errors are mine alone.

The British Army in India was the sharp end of the spear, numbering (on 1 August 1914) 54,584 infantry, 5,595 cavalry, 10,971 Royal Field Artillery and Royal Horse Artillery, 4,463 Royal Garrison Artillery, 377 Royal Engineers, 538 from various departments, and 602 Indians in Imperial pay (as distinct from the Indian establishment). It was deployed in the following units:

52 Infantry Battalions (including Aden)	9 Cavalry Regiments
19 Companies, Royal Garrison Artillery	8 Mountain Batteries, Royal Garrison Artillery
11 Royal Horse Artillery Batteries	2 Siege Companies, Royal Garrison Artillery
45 Royal Field Artillery Batteries	6 Heavy Batteries, Royal Garrison Artillery

In total, these amounted to 77,130 effectives, kept up to strength by drafts from the home units. The Indian establishment totaled some 2,751 British officers with 161,085 active Indian servicemen and 35,700 non-active Indian reserves. These consisted of 54 "class" regiments or battalions (i.e. soldiers of all one ethno-religious group), and 123 "class" company (or squadron) regiments and battalions (each composed of several different ethno-religious companies). Indian units were organized as follows:

138 Infantry Battalions	3 Sapper & Miner Regiments
39½ Cavalry Regiments	2 Railroad Engineer Companies
12 Mountain Artillery Batteries	1 Garrison Artillery Company

After the Sepoy Mutiny of 1857, part time civilian military units (composed of British and Anglo-Indian personnel) became recognized as another important piece of the internal security equation, and were organized as the Auxiliary Force (AF). They were depicted in the army stationing list, so they have been included in the order of battle as well. The Auxiliary Force consisted of 1,524 officers, 37,382 men and 3,093 reservists, and was organized as:

7 cavalry regiments	45 infantry battalions (plus several independent companies)
8 mounted rifle regiments	7 field artillery batteries
7 engineer companies	4 garrison artillery groups

In 1914 several of the princely states maintained independent forces in India. The Imperial Service Force was trained under British supervision but officered entirely by Indians. The ISF consisted of 6,600 cavalry and 13,400 other troops, the main *fighting* elements organized as:

10 cavalry regiments of 4 sqdns each	6 infantry battalions of 8 companies each
1 cavalry regiment of 3 sqdns	6 infantry battalions of 6 companies each
8 cavalry units of 2 or less sqdns each	3 sapper & miner companies
2 mountain artillery batteries	1 camel corps (battalion)

Imperial Service troops were not in the army stationing list, and are not included in the OB.

Lord Kitchener's *pre-war* scheme for mobilization of the army, primarily envisioned for use on India's borders, called for nine tactical divisions, each organized as follows:

1 Divisional Headquarters
3 Infantry Brigades, each of 1 British and 3 Indian battalions
1 Indian Cavalry Regiment of 4 squadrons
1 Indian Pioneer Battalion
1 British Royal Field Artillery Brigade of 3 batteries (each of 6 guns)
1 Indian or Royal Garrison Artillery Brigade of 2 batteries (each of 6 mountain guns)
1 Ammunition Column
2 Sapper & Miner Companies
1 Signals Company
1 Field Post Office
1 Printing Section
1 Photolitho Section
2 British Field Ambulances
3 Indian Field Ambulances
1 Division Supply Column
1 Division Supply Park

The establishment for a division was 3,548 officers & men in British units; 9,391 Indian soldiers & 215 British officers in Indian units; 11,163 Enfield .303 caliber rifles, 28 Vickers or Maxim .303 caliber machine guns, 18 field guns (18-pounder), and 12 mountain guns (10-pounder).

Cavalry regiments (each approximately half the strength of an infantry battalion) would be organized into brigades, each consisting of:

1 Brigade Headquarters
1 British Cavalry Regiment
2 Indian Cavalry Regiments
1 Royal Horse Artillery Battery
1 Engineer Field Troop
1 Ammunition Column
1 Section, British Field Ambulance
2 Sections, Indian Field Ambulance

The establishment for a cavalry brigade was 721 British officers & men in British units; 1,108 Indian soldiers & 36 British officers in Indian units; 1,146 Enfield .303 caliber rifles, 6 Vickers or Maxim .303 caliber machine guns, and 6 horse artillery guns (13-pounder).

In the event, Indian divisions deploying to France were reconfigured with a stronger artillery complement.

Additionally, a number of British regular units were withdrawn from the garrison of India to form the 27th and 28th Divisions, and parts of the 8th and 29th Divisions, employed on the Western Front or at Gallipoli. Three divisions of the Territorial Force were deployed to India to fill the vacancies left by the departing regular units.

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